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BROADMEAD RESIDENTS ELECT NEW OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS



The 2010-2011 Executive Board members of the Broadmead Residents Association are, seated from left, Secretary Linda King, President Kitty Stierhoff, Associate Secretary Bobbie Siebens, and standing, Treasurer Bill Reinke, Second Vice President Susie Fetter, Associate Treasurer Hyko Laeyendecker, Finance Committee Chair John Carnell (ex-officio), Representative to the Board of Trustees Mary Frances Wagley, First Vice President Tom Nuttle and Representative to the Board of Trustees Bob Davies. Sue Schlenger, Cluster Coordinator is pictured on Page 8.

By Marcia Reinke

Kitty Stierhoff, a Broadmead resident for seven-plus years, was elected president of the Broadmead Residents Association at its annual meeting in June, taking over from Robert "Bob" Davies, who will continue on the Executive Committee as a representative to the Board of Trustees

Kitty, who has served on the Executive Committee as both Second and First Vice President of the Association, is a lifelong resident of Baltimore except for a short stint in St. Louis. She graduated from the Bryn Mawr School, attended Converse Col-

lege, and ran an office for the Baltimore County League of Women Voters for over 25 years.

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NOW KNOWN AS "ROAD
SCHOLAR" COMES TO
BROADMEAD**

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June 11, 1921	June 12, 2010
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Broadmead Welcomes

By Nancy Allchin and Natalie Bellows

Richard and Joyce (Anderson) Gilley

F-2 443-578-8282 June 2010

As natives of Maryland, the Gilleys were not fazed by the 93-degree day in early June when they moved in. They were both brought up in Baltimore and came to Broadmead on the recommendations of



local friends and acquaintances. Richard received certification from Loyola College (now Loyola University) and pursued a career in accounting for 28 years at Exxon. After

retiring, he joined Conner, an import-export business, for five years.

Joyce received a degree from what was formerly called Towson State Teachers College (Towson University) and she later earned a Master's Degree from Hopkins. She spent 30 years teaching in Baltimore City elementary schools, half of those years in Special Education. She loves to travel and has visited six continents. The last, Antarctica, beckons and she expects to go there. She enjoys sewing, and one of her hobbies is beading. Both Richard and Joyce are interested in gardening and hope to have a plot in the vegetable garden next summer.

Elizabeth (Butler) Master (Mrs. Harold)

D-8 443-527-8283 July 2010

"Betsy" moved to Broadmead from neighboring Harford County where she lived for many years with her husband "Bud" who passed away in 2008.



She grew up in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and attended Greensboro College, but lost her southern accent when she transferred to the Maryland Institute of Art here in Baltimore. After she raised a family she returned to the Art Institute and focused on inte-

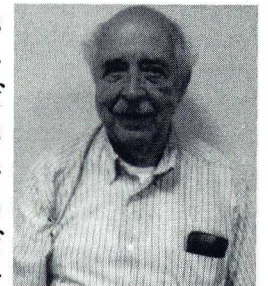
rior design, later working in that field at Hunt Valley Interiors. Antiques are among her interests today, as well as gardening and flower arranging. She has been active in her Presbyterian church, serving as a deacon and ordained elder of which she is very proud. She is a member of the PEO Sisterhood.

A daughter, two sons and three grandchildren, live nearby in Harford County. Her mother is still living at age 100 and resides in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Charley, an enthusiastic schnoodle (dog), has accompanied Betsy to Broadmead.

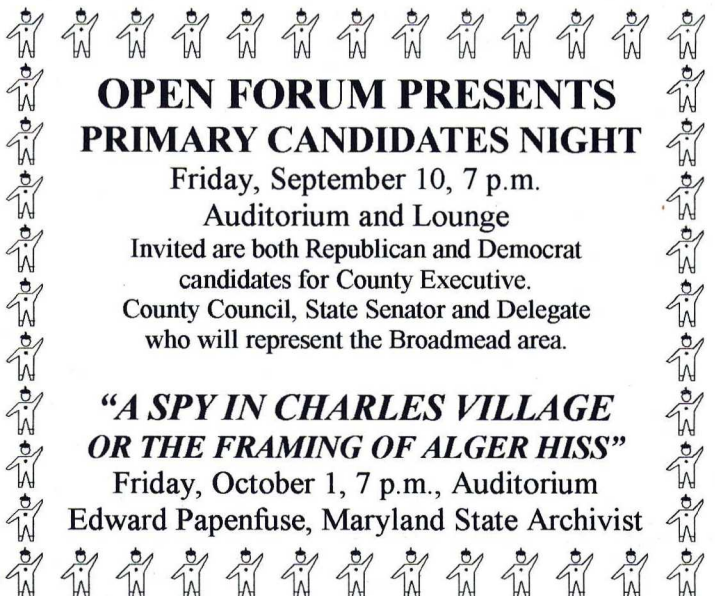
Robert Shoemaker

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Bob, or "Shoes" as he is sometimes called, came to Maryland in 1967 to teach at Towson State College (now Towson U). He was brought up in a small town in Indiana near Chicago, and graduated from Carleton College in Minnesota. He then earned a Master's Degree and a PhD at the University of Minnesota. His field of study was biology, and that is what he taught at Towson U, specializing in botany. But he also taught paleontology (study of fossils). His interest in the latter led to a chance to actually handle the fossils of a *Triceratops* (dinosaur) excavated in Montana for a museum display.



Bob and his wife Elsie (deceased), a former part-time teacher at Goucher, raised two sons, David and Andrew. He is a nature lover and has wisely chosen Broadmead with its open campus and nearby woods. Digital photography is one of his hobbies.



OPEN FORUM PRESENTS PRIMARY CANDIDATES NIGHT

Friday, September 10, 7 p.m.
Auditorium and Lounge

Invited are both Republican and Democrat candidates for County Executive, County Council, State Senator and Delegate who will represent the Broadmead area.

"A SPY IN CHARLES VILLAGE OR THE FRAMING OF ALGER HISS"

Friday, October 1, 7 p.m., Auditorium
Edward Papenfuse, Maryland State Archivist

GOLDS' DAUGHTER RECEIVES AWARD

By Sally Bloomer

Anne Gold, daughter of Broadmead residents Louis and Marjorie Gold, has been named National Distinguished Principal for the State of Maryland and, as such, will be representing Maryland at the Conference of the National Association of Elementary School Principals. The conference will be held in Washington in October, in cooperation with the United States Department of Education.

Anne earned this honor by her accomplishments at two elementary schools in Baltimore County: Lansdowne and Vincent Farm. At Lansdowne Elementary she transformed a school plagued by outcomes of poverty into a school that became the highest performing Title One school in reading in Maryland. Inspired by Anne's leadership, teachers who had taught for decades using the same methods learned to teach in new ways.

She also forged a partnership with Charlestown, a local retirement community. Senior residents made regular visits to Lansdowne, reading and visiting with the students and giving new meaning to the lives of both young and old.

Residents of Broadmead, Ruth Bronstein, Marge Gold and Sally Bloomer, enjoyed weekly visits to Anne's school, meeting with individual students and giving help as needed. Immediately upon entering the building they were impressed with the wall mural of the local Patapsco River area, as well as student art and plants decorating the entry hall. The principal's office, a place to be avoided in earlier days, was comfortably furnished. The walls were decorated with framed animal pictures, most of Anne's own pets.

Vincent Farm Elementary School, where Anne is now principal, is located in northeast Baltimore County and opened in August, 2008. It has an enrollment of 540 pupils, 44% of whom qualify for a free lunch program. Here Anne was involved in a rigorous teacher selection process.

Anne reached out to prospective students during the summer by hosting a rally at each school, bringing beach balls and yoyos with the school's logo printed on each. She made it clear to parents that she set high standards, not only for the teachers, but also for the students and parents. She wrote letters to the children informing them of what the school had to offer, including portable lap top 4



Marjorie Gold and daughter Anne

computers, a library of over 13,000 books, a TV studio and a science lab. The students also use interactive white boards on their lap tops. This enables them to communicate with the whole class and the teacher without leaving their seats.

The PTA president of Vincent Farm says "our principal, Anne Gold, is deserving of the most distinguished principal's award since she has the leadership skills which the award honors." Anne is looking forward to the trip to Washington and hopes even to meet the White House dog, Bo.

ADVENTURES IN LEARNING PROGRAMS ANNOUNCED

By Dorothy Krug

Plans are well underway for the 2010-2011 sessions of Adventures in Learning, starting with "Forefathers of the Blues," led by Seth Kibel of the Peabody Institute. Programs will be presented in the auditorium at 10:30 a.m. on October 27 and November 3, 10 and 17.

For our winter series we will be learning about aspects of contemporary China in light of China's vast and varied history, with programs presented by academics of the area.

In the spring our theme will be "Women in the Arts", led by Ellen Cutler, professor of art history at the Maryland Institute College of Art. The series will culminate with a bus trip to the National Museum of Women in the Arts in Washington.

Jonas Rappeport is coordinating the fall series; Elborg Forster the winter series; and Barbara Vosburgh, the spring series.

HOW BIGOTRY SHAPED BALTIMORE

By John Michener

On the border between North and South, and second only to New York as a port of entry for immigrants, Baltimore in the 19th Century had the largest population of free blacks in the United States. Initially, *de facto* segregation developed in the city as groups tended to settle in neighborhoods where others shared their ethnicity.

But as population increased, Baltimore's dominant whites set out to stop the expansion of black neighborhoods, initially by enacting first-of-its-kind legislation limiting blacks to neighborhood blocks. Later when the United States Supreme Court ruled their legislative attempts unconstitutional, Baltimore pioneered the development of private restrictive covenants that legally achieved the same ends.

Examining this history in his 2010 book, *Not in My Neighborhood, How Bigotry Shaped a Great American City*, and at an early June Broadmead Open Forum presentation, Antero Pietila described the spread of both black and Jewish neighborhoods, street by street and block by block, from the center city up the roads to the city lines and beyond into white and gentile Baltimore County.

Pietila, an investigative reporter and member of the Baltimore *Sunpapers* editorial board for some 35 years, describes in his book not only well-known geographic areas but also persons whose names will be familiar to local residents.

A native of Finland, Pietila came to the U.S. in his early 20s to pursue a career in journalism. Landing in New York he was struck by its heterogeneous diversity and vitality compared to that of his native land. He soon obtained a position with the *Sunpapers* and moved to Baltimore. Free of racial and ethnic preconceptions prevalent in the United States, he was struck by how what he recognized as bigotry had impacted everyday life here.

Although it had long been an interest of his, it was not until his retirement that he had the freedom to devote several years to research.

During World War I there was a massive influx of southern blacks into Baltimore's war industries. This led to the development of methods, such as condemning black areas for public roads or buildings, to force the increasing

number of blacks into ever smaller and more remote areas.

Jews faced similar residential and employment restrictions. The pressures on Jewish merchants were so intense that the major department stores, all Jewish owned, refused to hire Jews.

The result of all of this, and of much more bigotry documented in Pietila's book, is that according to current data Baltimore and its surrounding area is still the most segregated in the United States.

An interesting factor not addressed by Mr. Pietila is the role of Quaker merchants, or perhaps their non-role, in the creation of this segregation. Dr. Matthew Crenson, formerly the chair of the Political Science Department, and now Professor Emeritus, at Johns Hopkins University, addressed this Quaker role in a talk he gave at a Baltimore Neighborhoods conference several years ago. He noted that as Baltimore City began to grow, Quaker merchants moved down from Philadelphia. Strongly opposed to slavery, they found that for their businesses to prosper they had to refrain from contesting the prevailing mores. As a result, Baltimore with its large population of blacks, many of them educated, developed separate black and white leadership structures that did not negotiate solutions to common problems or even regularly talk to each other. Dr. Crenson indicated this leadership bifurcation was unique to Baltimore and contributed greatly to Baltimore's current racial problems.

SATURDAY NIGHT PROGRAMS

at 7 p.m. in the Auditorium

Sept. 4 Movie, *Funny Face*

Sept. 11 Terry Bouton, professor UMBC,
Taming Democracy, the Whiskey Rebellion,
a new look at early American history

Sept. 18 Movie, *Dead Poets Society*

Sept. 25 Thomas Wilcox, director of the
Baltimore Community Foundation.
*Combining Charitable Foundations for the
Benefit of the Baltimore Community.*

Sue Schlenger

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At Broadmead she has served on the Open Forum Committee, chaired the Food Committee, and sat on Administration Committees for Cluster W and the dining room renovation. As a member of the League, she has been involved in Baltimore housing issues since the 1960s. She formed and served as chair of the Baltimore/Baltimore County League Housing Committee, and helped form the Baltimore/Baltimore County Housing Coalition on which she served as vice president and produced the newsletter. She helped start and served as treasurer and a board member of the Fuel Fund of Central Maryland. She has been a board member of the Community Action Network and served on the *Thompson v. HUD* Advisory Council.

A resident of D-12, she is married to Hugh Stierhoff. They have four children and seven grandchildren.

Tom Nuttle, a resident of Broadmead for a year and a half, moved up to First Vice President, after serving on the Executive Committee as Second Vice President. A lifelong resident of Baltimore, he holds a Bachelor of Civil Engineering Degree from Cornell University. Still a consultant in civil engineering, he was with Harry T. Campbell Sons Co. and its successor owners for 30 years. Since moving to Broadmead, he has led bus-trip explorations of the Texas quarry, worked on the Barn Sale and the Christmas Decorations committee.

He is a Trustee of Goucher College, serving as chairman for three years, and is chairman of Baltimore Good Will. His hobby is golf.

A Korean War veteran and a resident of W-7, he has been married for 57 years to wife Marilyn. They have three children and four grandchildren.

Elizabeth "Susie" Fetter is stepping in as Second Vice President. A resident of Broadmead for three years, she has a Bachelor of Arts degree from Goucher College and an MAT from Johns Hopkins. At Broadmead she is chair of the Conservation Committee, and co-chair of the Flower/Vegetable Garden group. She is a member of the Writers Group, the Book Committee, and the Art 101 class. She has been co-auditor of the books of the Residents Association and the Country Store and has worked as a Barn Sale volunteer.

Born in Kingston, PA, she lived in Roanoke, VA for 24 years and before and after that in Baltimore for a total of 25 years. A member of the Baltimore County League of Women Voters, she has been a Home and Hospital Teacher of Adolescents. Long involved in Quaker activities, she has served on the supervisory committee of the Baltimore Yearly Meeting and with the Friends Committee on National Legislation, in addition to her activities with the Roanoke Friends Meeting.

Married to Robert "Bob" Fetter, she enjoys reading and gardening. They have two children and four grandchildren and live in E-2.

Linda King is moving up to Secretary, following service on the Executive Committee as Associate Secretary. A teacher, she is a graduate of Goucher College and has a Masters Degree-plus from Johns Hopkins. She will have lived at Broadmead four years in November where she is among those who serve water in Hallowell. Hobbies include reading, knitting, cooking (once upon a time) and walking her two small dogs about the campus. She lives in E-11.

Linda's husband John F King died in 2007. She has three step-children and six step-grandchildren.



Bobbie Siebens will serve (again) as Associate Secretary, moving to this position after serving on the Executive Committee for the past two years as Cluster Rep Coordinator. A teacher of the hearing impaired, she has a Bachelor's Degree from Oberlin College, an MA from the Teachers College of Columbia University and an Advanced Certificate in Special Education from Johns Hopkins. Her activities at Broadmead have included the Barn Sale, the Country Store, the French Table, art classes, several exercise classes and menu reading in Hallowell.

Born in Massachusetts, she lived in New York City, on Long Island, and in Wisconsin before moving to Maryland, where she has lived in Roland Park, Baltimore and in Harford County. She has been clerk and involved in committees at the Little Falls Friends Meeting, a member of the Harford Friends School Board of Trustees and the Baltimore

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County League of Women Voters. She enjoys painting, gardening and reading.

Bobbie and her late husband Dr. Arthur Siebens have six children and seven grandchildren. She lives in N-5 and has been at Broadmead since 2003.

Bill Reinke moves up to Treasurer after serving on the Executive Committee for two years as Associate Treasurer. A resident of Broadmead for four years, he was born in Cleveland and holds a BA from Kenyon College, an MBA from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania and a Ph.D

from Case Western Reserve. He is a professor (and still teaches part time) in the Department of International Health at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, where his work has taken him frequently as a consultant, researcher and teacher to develop-

ing nations in Asia, Africa and South America.

At Broadmead he has served on the BRA Finance Committee, worked on the Barn Sales, and enjoys Round Robin bridge and the stationary bike in the exercise room. Married to Marcia for 14 years and a resident of G-8, he has four children, three stepchildren, nine grandchildren and five step grandchildren.

Hyko Laeyendecker is the new Associate Treasurer. A resident of Broadmead for a little less than a year, he was born in the Netherlands and has lived in Jamaica, Zambia, Indonesia, and Bangladesh as well as most recently in Colorado. Educated in Holland, he holds an MSc degree in Hydraulic Engineering and has worked with the Navy, consulting firms and the World Bank.

His major hobby is ceramics and he is making good use of Broadmead's ceramics program. He swims regularly in the pool and enjoys gardening.

He and wife Dosia live in K-11. They have two children and three grandchildren.

Mary Frances Wagley has been reelected to a second one-year term as BRA representative to the Broadmead Inc. Board of Trustees. Born in New York City she is a graduate in chemistry from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). She earned a D.Phil. degree in physical chemistry in England at Oxford, and taught chemistry at both Smith College and Goucher College. She served as headmistress of Baltimore's St. Paul's School for

Girls for 12 years, and later for six years as executive director of Episcopal Social Ministries. She is currently a member of the vestry at Immanuel Church in Glencoe, a board member at Evergreen House and a volunteer at Paul's Place.

A resident of Broadmead for four years, she has served as co-chair of the tree subcommittee of the Bird and Nature group and as a member of the BRA Nominating Committee. She enjoys swimming, gardening and learning about trees. She lives in K-6.

Widowed in 2000, she and her late husband, Dr. Philip Wagley, an internist and Associate Professor at Hopkins, have three children and seven grandchildren.

Bob Davies will also serve as a BRA representative to the Broadmead Inc. Board of Trustees. Bob, immediate past president of the BRA, has also served on the Executive Committee as Associate Treasurer and Treasurer. A resident of Broadmead since 1998, he served as Editor of *The Voice* for four years, as co-chair of the Audio-Visual Committee, as a cluster rep, as a member of the Nominating Committee and the BRA Finance Committee, and as a member of the Trustees' Finance and End of Life Committees.

Born in Fort Worth, Texas, he holds a BS in Mechanical Engineering from Texas A & M. University, an MS in Engineering from Johns Hopkins, and an MS (equivalent) in Nuclear Engineering from the Oak Ridge School of Reactor Technology. Following service during World War II with the Army Corps of Engineers, he worked for 30 years with Baltimore Gas and Electric as a power plant design engineer involved in coal burning and nuclear plants. During Ronald Reagan's first term he served as Deputy Assistant Secretary for Environment, Safety and Health in the Department of Energy, later moving to be Deputy Director of Task Force on Nuclear Power Plant Construction. He served as chairman of the Maryland State Board for Professional Engineers for 10 years. He is a member of several genealogical societies, and has been heavily involved in various Presbyterian Church activities.

His wife Valerie died in 2002. He has two children and two grandchildren and lives in L-13.

Suzanne "Sue" Schlenger was appointed and confirmed by the Board of Directors to serve as Cluster Rep Coordinator, following the resignation of Sita Smith who was elected to serve at a meeting of the Cluster Reps held on July 16.

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Born in Bronxville, N.Y, Sue is a graduate of Allegheny College in Pennsylvania, and after



moving to Baltimore with her late husband became what she describes as a "professional volunteer." Recently feted as a 50 year member of the League of Women Voters, Sue has served as president of the Baltimore County League of Women Voters, and

for eight years was a board member of the Maryland State League. Currently she is chair of the Friends of the Library at the UMBC.

She has lived at Broadmead in M-5 for three years. In addition to serving as a Cluster Rep, she is responsible for our Saturday night programs. She has three daughters and five grandchildren.

Selected by their clusters to serve as Cluster Reps and members of the BRA Board of Directors for the coming year are Louise Williams, June Gee, Sally Bloomer, Peggy Taliaferro, Adrienne Toland, Shirley Richards, Jean Matthews, Elinore Lent, Jane Michener, Sita Smith, Natalie Bellows, Margaret Proctor, Sue Schlenger, Alice Giles, Betty Douglas, Nancy Boyce, Barbara Smith, Betsy Griffin and Georgia Erlbeck.

NEW WICKWIRE AWARD ESTABLISHED

By Nancy Henley

Broadmead resident Mary Ann Wickwire was an honored guest recently at the introduction of the "Chester L. and Mary Ann Wickwire Award for Peace and Social Justice." The new award was announced by Baltimore's Research Associates Foundation (RAF) at a reception in Saint John's Church on St. Paul Street.

Chester, a resident of Broadmead, who died in 2008, was well-known for his work as an activist for civil rights, fair housing, workers' rights and world peace in Baltimore and globally. Mary Ann was an important part of his work, providing logistic support while raising their children and pursuing her own teaching career. She often accompanied Chester as he carried out a mission which involved long working hours and frequent travel.

The RAF, founded in 1982, for years provided a center for such groups as the Alternative Press Center, Workers Action Press and Baltimore Action for Justice in the Americas (BAJA). In 2009 it sold the center, and has now transformed itself into an organization providing small grants to support "progressive educational and transformative projects in the Baltimore community." The reception celebrated several new awards.

The first Wickwire award was given to the Baltimore Algebra Project "in honor of those two indefatigable activists and founding members of the original Research Associates collective." The Baltimore Algebra Project, one of a number of similar groups across the nation, describes itself as "a democratic, student-run and organized program mainly focused on the one-on-one tutoring of math at the middle and high school levels." Many long-time Baltimore peace and social justice activists were present at the evening reception.

FRIENDS MEETING FOR WORSHIP

**SUNDAYS AT 11 A.M.
STONY RUN BOARD ROOM**

BIRD AND NATURE GROUP

**Friday, September 24, 1:30 p.m.
Stony Run Board Room**

VESPERS

**Sunday, September 19, 4:30 p.m. Main Lounge
Pastor Bill Carrell, University Baptist Church
All are welcome
*By Bill Duff***

THE BRA HEALTH CARE COMMITTEE PRESENTS

***"Essential Immunizations for the
Elderly, 65 and older"*
Frank Iber, MD**

**Tuesday, September 21, 10 a.m.
Auditorium
*All are welcome***

BROADMEAD TO HOST ROAD SCHOLAR

By Marcia Reinke

To the delight of the many of us who've participated in Elderhostel programs over the years, "Road Scholar" (Elderhostel's new name) is coming to us.

Broadmead is scheduled for three half-day programs this fall and three more in the spring. We are the third retirement home in Maryland to participate, the others being on the Eastern Shore and in Silver Spring.

"This is a great marketing tool for Broadmead, as well as something our residents and neighbors should enjoy," said Director of Services Linda Chick. Several residents who have regularly participated in Elderhostels and who regularly receive its catalogs, brought the new "Day of Discovery Series" to the attention of the Broadmead administration, which followed up with the Boston office. These residents and Linda picked the fall programs from a Road Scholar list.

All programs run from 9:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. followed by an included lunch for non-residents. The cost of each for a member of the Broadmead community will be \$17; for the public, \$37.

The first program entitled "*'S Wonderful, the Music and Lyrics of the Gershwin Brothers*," will be held Wednesday, September 15. The second, on *The Urgency and Impact of Immigration Reform*, will take place Monday, October 4, and the third, *The Literary Garden, from Shakespeare to Sissinghurst*, on November 1.

APOTHEOSIS AT 90

By Germaine Allegrina Sharretts

Early this year, a celebration of my 90th birthday was planned by my two daughters. But nature interfered by sending the big snowstorms, resulting in a postponement to spring. Nature, in a tantrum, then played a new trick, sending ashes over Paris, closing airports and preventing half my family from flying here.

Reduced in size but not in spirit, a three-day celebration took place. One day in my Unit J-6, the power of champagne, food, laughs and noise was such that at 1 a.m. I kicked the whole group out for fear of disturbing the peace of our quiet residents. On the third day, my descendants prepared a dinner at my house in Ruxton, where I lived for 30 years and which now belongs to my Denver daughter as a second home. Provided were a table to accommodate 25, a two-foot baked rock fish, intact with head, eyes and tail, plus the traditional birthday cake with two large candles, a 9 and an 0, which I blew out easily.

Despite a "please no gifts", at least 20 Magi appeared, each holding packages. Inside were 90 chocolate Hersey kisses, then 90 fortune cookies, then framed white paper stamped with the red kisses of my two great grandchildren. Then came 90 squares of Belgian Chocolate (90% cocoa) followed by 90 crossword puzzles and a birthday card with 90 signatures in 90 languages. A Paris nephew, who couldn't come due to the volcanic ash, sent several books including one, *90 Books for People in a Hurry*. French champagne and 90 flowers arrived.

Over the fireplace a screen projected Casablanca buildings in Art Deco style, built by my father, a famous and decorated architect and builder.

Crippled these days with sciatica, I bask in the glow of those birthday days.

RAPPEPORT ELECTED

Broadmead's Jonas Rappeport was elected second vice president of the Maryland Continuing Care Residents Association (MaCCRA) at the group's annual meeting in May at the Oak Crest Retirement Community. Broadmead, represented also by John Carnell and Marcia Reinke, was one of 12 active chapters attending the event. Three more are considering becoming active. Total membership is 1050.

Jonas and Marcia reported to Broadmead members on the group's legislative activities at a June meeting here. MaCCRA is the lobbying group for retirement home residents, while Lifespan is the lobbying group for administrators. Both retain lobbyists and both work with the Department on Aging and the state legislature. Broadmead was one of the founders of the Maryland chapter.

Being explored are best methods of ascertaining a retirement home's financial stability, and providing transparency about finances to residents and prospective residents.

The Broadmead chapter continues to seek new members. Those interested should contact Natalie Bellows, treasurer of the local chapter.

DOCTOR SPEAKS ON CONGO SUFFERING

By Marcia Reinke

It's been a long time since we burned our last witches in Europe and Salem. It's been a long time since our roads were trails. Most of us have never lived in the heat of the Equator, seen the dried out soil, survived on cassava and witnessed the plight of women, who are owned by their men, and whose property value is diminished if they are raped. Many of us would turn away from the sight of the malnourished and those afflicted by horrendous and disfiguring disease.

Dr. Cecile De Sweemer, who spoke about her Butoke project at Broadmead's Open Forum in June, has spent her life not turning away. She has founded and been working at a rural clinic, living in primitive conditions in the Western Kasai region of the Democratic Republic of Congo, one of the five least developed countries in the world.

Born and educated in Belgium, where she received her medical degree, Dr. De Sweemer is fluent in English, French, Dutch and conversant in Laotian and Punjabi. Now in her 70s, she has been in the Congo since 2004. Earlier she worked with the World Health Organization, on a World Bank program in Laos, and with UNICEF in Cambodia. During a lifetime bringing medicine to the most needy, she has also worked in Nigeria, Senegal, Pakistan, India, Sri Lanka and Rwanda during which time she has adopted, raised and educated 33 children, many of them malnourished and disabled. She has helped thousands of others in hospitals and clinics in the developing world.

Her illustrated Broadmead talk, entitled *Suffering in the Heart of Africa: a Report from the Congo*, dealt with conditions in Western Kasai. It is an epicenter for epidemics of ebola, monkey pox, rabies and malnutrition, where 95% of the adults are unemployed, where widows, the elderly, orphans, the chronically ill and the handicapped are often accused of witchcraft, resulting in violence and lynchings.

It's a place where families try to survive on one-sixth to one-third acre lots, with hand tools, poor soil, poor quality seed, irregular rainfall, bad roads and little irrigation.

Dr. De Sweemer was in Baltimore to raise money for her Butoke project among a variety of groups in the United States and Canada, and to report to one of her local funding sources, the Maryland Presbyterian Church. Among her hosts here were Branch and Dickens Warfield. Among her colleagues here are Drs. Timothy Baker and William Reinke with whom she studied for a doctorate in public health at the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health, where she later taught and did research.

With her own health uncertain (she suffers from Parkinson's Disease), she hopes nevertheless to go on with her work with Butoke, continuing to operate her 43-child orphanage, plus providing access to food, security and nutrition, access to primary medical care, water and sanitation, education and human rights in the surrounding community.

OPERA VIDEO

Friday, September 24 7 p.m. Auditorium

ATTILA

GIUSEPPE VERDI

Arena de Verona Opera Festival

Starring the great Russian bass Eugeny Neterencoas. Story of Attila, king of the Huns, and their invasion of the Roman Empire in the 5th Century.

Harry Blumenthal

MUSICAL EVENTS

Sunday, September 5 at 2 p.m. - CONCERT
MALCOLM SHERMAN MEMORIAL
Piano Quartet Baltimore Symphony musicians

Monday, September 20 at 7 p.m. - CONCERT
PIATIGORSKY FOUNDATION - Classic guitar

Wednesday, September 22 at 7 p.m. - LET'S SING
With Jonathan Jensen at the piano
New day and pianist

Sunday, September 26 at 2 p.m. - CONCERT
DOUBLE PLAY - Flute, tuba and seeing-eye dog

Sunday, October 3 at 2 p.m. - CONCERT
CHARLOTTE SMYTH MEMORIAL
Nonesuch Trio - two mandolins & guitar

by Phil Schnering

PREVENTING FALLS

By Charee Collins
Broadmead Rehabilitation

(First in a series of articles sponsored by the BRA Health Care Committee in connection with its new Tuesday morning lecture series, the first of which took place July 29.)

Falls are the most common injury of the elderly and in most cases, when they occur, a review of the fall finds a culprit. Had this problem been identified and removed the fall would not have occurred. Most persons over age 65 have one or more falls every year and about one in every five to seven result in significant injury that requires medical treatment or hospitalization.

The causes of falls may readily be assigned to items in the environment: such as slippery floors or poor lighting in the bedroom, on going health problems such as progressive muscle weakness, vision or balance problems, known side effects of medications or unanticipated health problems such as a stroke. Something can be done to prevent many of these. The lecture emphasized factors that could be changed to make falls less likely.

The apartment is the most common place where falls occur. Adequate lighting, particularly at night in the bedroom and bathroom is essential. Switches to light a dark area before entering and night lights are of great benefit. Secure footing is essential at all times. Appropriate shoes with wide base, flexible soles, tread and low heels prevent falls. Throw rugs are a hazard and, if they must be used, need to be securely anchored. Avoid walking in socks. Any liquid spills should be cleaned up promptly. Non-skid floors in tub and shower are essential. Grab bars for the tub and toilet are helpful. Do not use stepstools without a hand hold, and avoid chairs on wheels. Remove clutter from regularly used pathways throughout the apartment. Upon request, the rehabilitation department will inspect apartments and make suggestions to prevent falls.

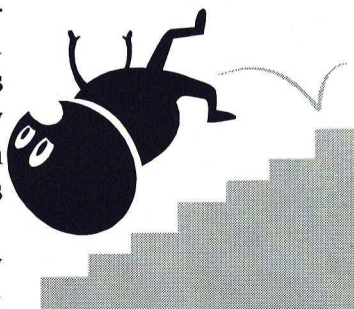
Many health problems in our residents are closely related to falls. Drugs for high blood pressure are regularly associated with light headedness when rising from supine to sitting or sitting to standing, and falls frequently occur at this time. Make these transitions slowly allowing 30 seconds

for your body to adjust. Sitting a moment before standing and standing with a supporting hand on the bed or a chair will avoid a fall. Many medications (with particular emphasis on those taken to control pain, sleeplessness, cardiac problems, depression or anxiety) increase clumsiness, lethargy and the likelihood of a fall. Discuss with your doctor or nurse practitioner the need for continuing all your medications. Taking four or more medications clearly increases the risk for a fall. On the other hand Vitamin D and Vitamin B supplements probably prevent falls. Alcohol in any amount increases the likelihood of a fall.

Aging diminishes muscular strength and balance. A special program of exercises to improve strength and balance can reverse these trends. Arthritis, by restricting use of limbs, diminished sight or hearing each contribute to making the balance and weakness problems more

severe and the risk of falls greater. Any acute illness such as influenza, fracture or pneumonia will make these deficiencies much more severe and can be combated by a vigorous remedial exercise program, as will be eagerly recommended by the Wellness Department. Many falls and the injury that may occur can be prevented.

Broadmead's Wellness, Rehabilitation and Medical departments are delighted to assist you in personal assessments of what YOU can do to lessen your chances of a fall or injury.



Wednesday Worship at Broadmead

1st Wednesday every month at 10:30 a.m.

EPISCOPAL COMMUNION

Taylor East Lounge, 3rd floor

Sponsored by Sherwood Episcopal Church

2nd Wednesday every month at 11 a.m.

CATHOLIC MASS

Taylor East Lounge, 3rd floor

Sponsored by St. Francis Xavier Church

3rd Wednesday every month at 10:30 a.m.

PRESBYTERIAN COMMUNION

Stony Run Activities Room, 3rd floor

Sponsored by Ashland Presbyterian Church.



BROADMEAD MOVIES

In the Auditorium at 7 p.m.

Tuesday movies

Selected by Gretel and Leo Weiss

Saturday movies

Selected by Jeanne Stephenson

Saturday, Sept. 4

Funny Face

Audrey Hepburn, Fred Astaire. A light musical set in Paris about a stylish photographer who transforms a mousy young woman into a high fashion model.

1957

NR

103 minutes

Tuesday, Sept. 7

The Blue Angel

The stunning tale about a straitlaced schoolteachers' obsession with a cabaret singer (Marlene Dietrich) in Germany made this a film classic and launched Marlene Dietrich on her famous career. Directed by Josef von Sternberg. Cast: Dietrich and Emil Jannings. (Subtitles)

1930

NR

106 minutes

Tuesday, Sept. 14

Bliss

After it is discovered that Meryem has been raped, the young girl is ostracized by her family and her community who hold her accountable for the "crime". To salvage the family name, her father orders a young soldier to murder her, but when he refuses to carry out the orders, he and Meryem escape and set sail with a charismatic professor. A Turkish film. (Subtitles)

2007

NR

106 minutes

Saturday, Sept. 18

Dead Poets Society

Robin Williams, Ethan Hawke. At St. Andrew's School a controversial English teacher inspires his students to express themselves and make their dreams happen.

1989

NR

128 minutes

Tuesday, Sept. 21

The Awful Truth

This captivating screwball comedy stars Cary Grant and Irene Dunn, a married couple who mistakenly suspect each other of infidelity and file for divorce. Then they go to ridiculous lengths to make each other jealous. (Subtitles)

1937

NR

93 minutes

Tuesday, Sept. 28

It's Complicated

Ten years after their divorce Jane (Meryl Streep) and Jake (Alex Baldwin) unite for their son's college graduation and unexpectedly end up sleeping together. But Jake is married and Jane is embarking on a new romance with her architect (Steve Martin). Now she has to sort out her life, just when she had it all figured out. (Subtitles).

2009

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121 minutes

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STIERHOFF GRANDSON

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WINS STEEPLECHASE

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In the category of "better late than never",

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☆ *The Voice* is tardily reporting on the four-

☆ length victory of James Stierhoff and his mount,

☆ Twill Do, before 4,000 fans at the 114th Hunt

☆ Cup at Glyndon's Worthington Farms. The 24-

☆ year old jockey, grandson of Broadmead resi-

☆ dents Hugh and Kitty Stierhoff, won the four-

☆ mile, 22 jump steeplechase, to grasp the Chal-

☆ lenge Trophy for Twill Do owner Lucy A.

☆ Goelet. Stierhoff, who grew up in Rodgers

☆ Forge and Ruxton, is a graduate of Towson

☆ High School and Towson University. He now

☆ works for Brown Advisory, a Fells Point invest-

☆ ment firm.

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☆ Stierhoff won by half a length, after the

☆ pre-race favorite was injured and leading horse

☆ faltered at the 3-foot, 9-inch board 20th fence.

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☆ Reporting on the event, the *Towson*

☆ *Times* said "winning his first National Steeple-

☆ chase Association-sanctioned event on Amer-

☆ ica's - if not the world's - most demanding

☆ course is akin to a rookie quarterback winning

☆ the Super Bowl or a Triple-A call-up belting a

☆ home run to win the World Series."

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LET'S DANCE

with the George Hipp Trio

Monday, September 13

7 p.m. in the Auditorium

Everybody welcome

Ted Wilson

BOOKS NEW TO BROADMEAD LIBRARY: FICTION AND NONFICTION

Regular nonfiction with call numbers up to PR is in the Main Library, beginning at the back right wall. It continues in the Lower Level section under the stairs.

Nonfiction

- Chase, Mary E. *The Bible and the common reader*. 1956. BS535.C48
- Woodward, Grace S. *The Cherokees*. 1976. E99.C5w
- Hawkes, Jacquetta (ed.). *The world of the past*. 1963. GN738.W92
- Lisicky, Michael J. *Hutzler's: where Baltimore shops*. 2009. HF5465.U6H96
- Kavanaugh, John (ed.). *The Quaker approach to contemporary problems*. 1970. HN18.Q1
- Van Doren, Carl. *The great rehearsal: the story of the making and ratifying of the Constitution of the United States*. 1948. JK146.V24
- White, John D. *Music in Western culture: a short history*. 1972. ML160.W58
- Bernstein, Leonard. *The infinite variety of music*. 1966. MT6.B53
- Malraux, André. *The metamorphosis of the gods*. 1960. N72.M25
- Seitz, William C. *The art of assemblage*. 1961. N6490.S46
- Partsch, Susanna. *Paul Klee, 1879-1940*. 1993. ND588.K63p
- [No author] *Literature from the "axis of evil": writing from Iran, Iraq, North Korea and other enemy nations*. 2006. PN6014.L77
- Maugham, W. Somerset. *Complete short stories* (2 volumes). 1952. PR.M44c
- Linder, Leslie. *A history of the writings of Beatrix Potter, including unpublished work*. 1971. PR.P86l
- Wilson, John D. *Shakespeare's happy comedies*. 1962. PR.S421w
- Lieder, P.R. (ed.) *British poetry and prose*. 1938. PR1109.L71
- Aldington, Richard (ed.). *The Viking Book of poetry of the English-speaking world*. 1941. PR1175.V69

- Gross, John J. (ed.). *The Oxford book of essays*. 1991. PR1363.O98
- Cummings, E. E. *Poems, 1923-1954*. 1968. PS.C97p
- Frost, Robert. *Collected poems, prose & plays*. 1995. PS.F93c
- James, Henry. *The notebooks of Henry James*. 1955. PS.J27n
- Quindlen, Anna. *Loud and clear*. 2004. PS.Q7l
- Wolfe, Thomas. *A stone, a leaf, a door: poems*. 1945. PS.W85s
- Hillenbrand, Laura. *Seabiscuit: an American legend*. 2001. SF355.S43h
- Jackson, Holbrook. *The anatomy of bibliomania*. 1981. Z992.J12

LARGE PRINT BOOKS

Large print books are in the Lounge area, in the order: fiction, biography (BIOG), nonfiction.

Large Print Fiction

- Coben, Harlan. *Hold tight*. 2008.
- Coulter, Catherine. *Tailspin*. 2008.
- Flagg, Fannie. *Can't wait to get to heaven*. 2006.
- Griffin, W. E. B. *The hostage*. 2005.
- Horan, Nancy. *Loving Frank*. 2007.
- Koontz, Dean. *Forever odd*. 2006.
- Larsson, Stieg. *The girl who played with fire*. 2006.
- Larsson, Stieg. *The girl with the dragon tattoo*. 2008.
- Smith, Tom Rob. *The secret speech*. 2009.
- Steel, Danielle. *Amazing grace*. 2007.

Large Print Nonfiction

- Brokaw, Tom. *A long way from home: growing up in the American heartland*. 2002. BIOG bro
- Fulghum, Robert. *Maybe (maybe not): second thoughts from a secret life*. 1993. BD ful
- Harrer, Heinrich. *Seven years in Tibet*. 1998 DS har
- Obmascik, Mark. *The big year: a tale of man, nature and fowl obsession*. 2004. QL obm
- Thubron, Colin. *In Siberia*. 1999. DK thu

BOOK GROUP SELECTIONS

First Mondays, Auditorium, 10:30 a.m.

**Sept. 6...*The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo*
by Stieg Larsson**

October 4...*The Postmistress* by Sarah Blake

**November 1...*Outcasts United* by Warren St. John.
(recommended for reading in Maryland)
Susie Fetter**

LAKE MAYBE....A LOVELY POND?

By Sibylle Ehrlich

The question of what will become of our "Storm Water Management" system, known lovingly as "Lake Maybe", has been among the issues explored by the BRA Buildings and Grounds Committee this summer. Although the heat and lack of rain has worked against us, cattails have been cut and some pulled out, while 1,000 native aquatic plants have been planted in the hope that they will beautify the area, discourage the algae growth and attract frogs and birds.

A list and photos of these plants have been posted on the bulletin board. Staff as well as committee members have been researching ways in which the pond can be made environmentally sound as well as attractive, in the hope that one day "Lake Maybe" will become a lovely pond.

The Committee's full summer agenda has included all-out efforts to combat the extreme drought on our beautiful campus and to water trees both within and outside the clusters..

The Multicultural Committee is sponsoring

"From the Swastika to Jim Crow"

A series of events on how two cultures can relate through their common struggle: Interactions of Jewish professors from Nazi Germany and students in historically black colleges

Wednesday, September 22, 9:30– 2:30

Bus trip to the Reginald F. Lewis Museum.
Lunch available in the museum's café. Limited to 28 participants. Sign up sheet on bulletin board.

Wednesday, September 28, 10-noon.

Viewing the DVD on the same topic followed by discussion. Broadmead auditorium.

Wednesday, October 6, 9:30 – 2:30

Similar experiences in Baltimore: Bus trip to St. Frances Academy, where a Jewish teacher and volunteers from the Beth Tfiloh Synagogue teach and mentor African-American high school students. Lunch provided by the school. Limited to 28 participants. Sign up sheet on bulletin board.

COMPOSTERS NEEDED

By Lyman Anderson

Broadmead is home to a lot of gardeners who prefer a non-chemical "organic" approach to making their gardens productive by using only products occurring in nature to improve the soil..

Commercial organic products are available, but expensive. More satisfying is making our own organic fertilizer and conditioner by composting. This process, occurring continuously in nature, is the source of "topsoil" without which our earth would be a barren planet.

Compost is made by allowing certain waste plant products to decompose to the point where they appear to be healthy black soil. For this, a container or bin is needed to hold the decaying materials for the time required, which could be a year or more. The materials also need to be kept damp, aerated, and turned over. Two containers are often used so when one is ready for use in the gardens, the contents of the other are decomposing.

Through the efforts of the Bird and Nature and Garden Committees here at Broadmead, along with the Broadmead gardeners, two composting bins have been constructed and will be placed in the "public" garden area, west of the spring house. We encourage all residents to help us compost sufficient waste products to provide compost for all the gardeners who want to use it. If you would help, you can save your contributions in plastic bags and empty them into the compost bin weekly.

Acceptable raw materials include: garden waste (weeds, but no woody plants); grass clippings; shredded leaves; vegetable and fruit scraps (not pits); coffee grounds, shredded newspaper and sawdust.

There are exceptions: Meat, cheese and prepared foods cannot be used since they attract rats. Also, because of the tomato blight being experienced, no parts of tomato plants can be used.

We gardeners will very much appreciate your help.



The Multicultural Committee is sponsoring car-pooling to Notre Dame's Le Clerc Auditorium for an evening with Kathryn Stockett, author of *The Help*, Wednesday September 22 at 7:30 p.m. Buy tickets in advance. See bulletin board.

HITHER, THITHER AND YAWN

With Foxy Georgia

Can you believe it? Time to sing that old September Song. It sure was a warm summer...is that what Al Gore is talking about? But nothing stops this crowd of huskies.....

Some sissies ran away up north, but it was warm there too....Jane Earhart, Peggy Taliaferro, Nancy Warner, Carol McCord, Mary Ruth Sidwell, Phyllis and Paul Olson to Maine, also John McShane and Ted Wilson. Ralph and Penny Partlow, up on the river. Joyce Griffith moves around so fast, can't keep up with her. Most likely she is in training to beat out Mary Jo Campbell....and Hertha Krotkoff is back from Vienna, at last!

The annual Country Fair brought out a whole gang...Mim Howe, Carolyn Donkervoet, Hope and Bill Benson, who enjoyed a picnic under the tent and had fun looking at the fancy chickens, the baby goats, and the unbelievable rabbits. Bobbie Siebens manned a "this 'n' that" table and Elaine McDonald and Louise Hager helped her. Meanwhile the Satyr Hill Band played on. And best of all there was cotton candy and popsicles for Nancy and Dick Allchin, Millie Boynton and Bob Morrison.

Before you could say "Yankee Doodle", our intrepid Mary Nichols rode in an open car in the Towson Fourth of July Parade. She was Rosie the Riveter, true blue. Lotsa other "Rosies" live here, but they didn't rivet. They worked in the defense industries: Betty Douglas, Carolyn Underwood, Liz Jackson, Ginny Cooley. Fran Beasley overseas with the Red Cross. Jean Stevenson dancing in USO groups. Margaret Proctor, Military and Naval Welfare Dept, American Red Cross, and of course this is only a very few.

Life was hectic when they closed our bridge for repairs. But they did it in double quick time. Tried to get their quick repair secret. We all could use it and toss away the Amigos etc.

Meanwhile everyone had their own favorite route. Weezie Davis opted for 83. Ruth Williams went by Phoenix. Ann Remington, that traveling gal, journeyed over Thornton Mill Road...and we all loved to compare notes.

Fashion notes...wine bags... Marilyn and Tom Nuttle and Pam and Maurice Langham put us all to shame with their stylish toters....won't mention that plastic bag we unfortunately spied. Gotta do



The June Barn Sale raised \$6,400.

better than that when the new dining rooms open. Hear there was a contest to name them but so far the names are a secret.

Here's a new contest. Who can produce the longest list of those wearing the "Fisherman Shoes?" 1st prize: fly casting privileges at Lake Maybe. 2nd prize: porpoise patties *en brochette* in the Dog Park.

Lehman Guyton looks smashing in his straw hat. Frank Iber equally smashing in his red gingham dew rag. And the two gal cashiers in their red hats at the Barn Sale! Bette Hollyday never looked more spectacular. Bunny Knipp seems to have a different hat every day. We've stopped counting.

Hey, did you see those wonderful stalks of corn in Lyman Anderson's garden. Measured them. As high as an elephant's eye and this isn't Kansas.

Charlie and Anne Lee produced that old favorite *Trifles*, starring some of our old favorites: Harry Butcher, Alice Giles, Bob Fetter in that hat and Frank Iber. Hey kids! How about volunteering? The Play Reading gang is fun and could use help.

Broadmead hosted over 115 prospects at an Open House, and for once this entire summer, we prayed for a clear day. It was a big success. Brenda Becker and her cohorts planned everything beautifully and the guides, Sita Smith, Cynthia Ballard (who does a smooth job of handling the Guest Resident Program), Bob Davies, Alma Smith, shiny new Prexy Kitty Stierhoff kept busy. The visitors visited with June Gee and Charlotte Hurtt, and gorged themselves on the fab food...and generally jazzed it up.

Glory be...Here we are at the end of my rope and running out of time and space. But there was so much to tell. Now there are good memories of good times. Y'all behave yourselves. "Remember Foxy's watchin' but you're lucky she has a short memory span. Nuff said!!

Early summer saw residents and staff turn out for a nostalgic country fair, presented in the rose garden area by the residents of Hallowell and Taylor.



Above: The lines were long for the picnic fare. Below: Natalie Bellows pats a visiting animal.

Above: Flo Platt, Bob and Elborg Forster and Sally Bloomer enjoy the food and sunshine. Below: The five-piece Satyr Hill band provided country music.



Baby goat at Country Fair



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